

**Called 'Part Of Plot'**

# Exile Gunned Down On Street Here

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A Cuban exile described as a "professional revolutionary" lay in critical condition in Jackson Memorial hospital today and his associates asked for a 24-hour police guard for the hospital room.

Aton Julio Constanzo, 32, was riddled by .45-caliber machine-gun bullets as he walked along a Miami street last night and fellow members of an anti-Castro group said the attack was part of a widespread plot.

Constanzo, of 752 SW 4th St., recently had completed a 60-day federal jail sentence for his part in an aborted raid upon Haiti in the company of former Batista hatchetman Rolando Masferrer.

A former captain in the anti-Batista revolutionary guerrillas in the hills of Escambray, Constanzo fled his homeland in 1961 and came to Miami by way of the U.S. Marine base at Guantanamo.

He was gunned down at 8:35 p.m. yesterday on the corner of SW 7th Avenue and 2nd Street, and as he was being taken to surgery he told police the gunfire came from one of two cars which had come alongside him slowly and then sped off.

Police said Constanzo described the shooting as "political."

He remained under intensive care this morning at the hospital with four bullet wounds in the side, stomach and both legs.

Constanzo's younger brother, Abelino Constanzo, 28, went to Miami Police this morning to ask that round-the-clock security be posted outside the hospital room. Police said "we will try to work it out."

Abelino was accompanied by two other Cuban exiles, Pablo Castellon and Hector Delphin, who said the shooting was the work of Castro "G-2" intelligence agents and Communist infiltrators who, they said, "are conducting a program to knock off the top revolutionaries" in the Miami area.

Constanzo, who apparently had no regular employment in Miami, reportedly was to have commanded a large unit in the Haitian invasion planned from the Florida Keys last year.

The invasion was to have

been a combined operation by Haitian and Cuban exiles with a sprinkling of U.S. soldiers of fortune. After the overthrow of Haitian dictator Francois Duvalier, Masferrer planned to attack Cuba, it

was reported.

U.S. Customs agents and Monroe County sheriff's deputies broke up the invasion with the capture of 70 men on a small key north of Marathon.